GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SMOKING IN BOGIES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether smoking is being done in most of the bogies of trains causing inconvenience to other passengers;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Railways to check it;

(c) whether it is proposed to give more powers to T.T., GRP and RPF to stop it; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) : Some cases of passengers smoking in trains have come to notice.

(b): Smoking in trains and railway premises has been made a punishable offence under the provisions of Railways Act, 1989 and The Cigarettes and other Tobacco Product (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act 2003. Public are educated not to smoke in railway premises as well as railway coaches through various media available with the railways and by displaying notices at prominent places at stations and inside the coaches.

(c) & (d): Ticket Checking agencies i.e. Commercial, Operating, Vigilance and Security staff have already been empowered to take action against the offenders as per law.